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NOTE.—The Minutes this year have been prepared, with reference to economy of publication, in as condensed a form as possible, but it is hoped and believed that nothing of material interest has been excluded.

LINUS PARKER,
Secretary Louisiana Conference.

MINUTES.

Question 1. Who are admitted on trial?

Answer James M. Franklin, James M. McKee, Robert Randle.

Q. 2. Who remain on trial?

A. Mark B. Chapman.

Q 3. Who are admitted into full connection?

A. John Wilkinson, Robert A. Davis.

Q. 4. Who are readmitted?

A. None.

Q 5. Who are received by transfer from other Conferences?

A. J. F. Marshall, from the Mobile Conference.

Q. 6. Who are the Deacons of one year?

A. Alanson W. Moore; continued in the class of the third year.

Q. 7. What traveling preachers are elected and ordained Deacons?

A. None.

Q. 8. What local preachers are elected and ordained Deacons?

A. James M McKee was elected and ordained. John W. Chevis, previously elected, was ordained. Thomas W. Scott, James Mays, elected, but not present for ordination.

Colored: William F Watkins, elected and ordained. Jerry Wall and Elijah Powell, elected, but not present for ordination.

Q. 9. What traveling preachers are elected and ordained Elders?

A. John Wilkinson, Seaborn J. Graves.

Q. 10. What local preachers are elected and ordained Elders?

A. John W. Chevis, previously elected, was ordained.

Q. 11. Who have located this year?

A. Thomas J. Lacey was granted a location at his own request.

Q. 12. Who are supernumerary?

A. William E. Doty, Samuel S. Scott, Almarin G. Miller.

Q. 13. Who are superannuated?

A. Thomas Samford, Henry C. Thweatt, Joel Saunders, Charles J. Hallberg.

Q. 14. What preachers have died during the year?

A. None.

Q. 15. Are all the preachers blameless in life and official administration?

A. Their names were called over one by one, and their characters were examined and passed.

MEMBERSHIP.

Q. 16. What is the number of preachers and members in the several Circuits, Stations and Missions of the Conference?

A.

	MEMBERS		LOCAL PREACH'S.	
NEW ORLEANS DISTRICT.	White.	Colored.	White.	Colored.
Carondelet Street	412	1	2	
Felicity Street	254		3	
Moreau Street	73			
Dryades Street, German	118			
Craps Street, German	70		1	
Lafayette and Carrollton, German	48		1	
Jefferson City and Louisiana Avenue	48		1	
New Orleans Circuit	37		2	
Thibodaux Mission	41			
Baton Rouge	127			
Plaquemine and Grosse Tete	57			
	1285	1	10	
OPELOUSAS DISTRICT.				
Opelousas	72		1	
Bellevue Mission	16		1	
Washington and Bayou Boeuff	87		1	
Plaquemine Brule	205		2	
Bayou Mallet	58			
Vermillion	20			
New Iberia	159	38		
Franklin	70			1
Pattersonville and Berwick City	37		1	
Grand Cheniere	61	24		
Calcasieu	175	53		
	953	115	6	1

	MEMBERS		LOCAL PREACH'S.	
ALEXANDRIA DISTRICT.	White.	Colored.	White.	Colored.
Alexandria Circuit	396	28	3	
Harrisonburg	166	46	2	
Evergreen and Big Cane	56		1	
Atlanta	200		4	
Spring Creek	62			
Montgomery	10			
	890	74	10	
SHREVEPORT DISTRICT.				
Shreveport	112	17		1
Greenwood	100	10	2	1
Keachie	81			
Mansfield	136		1	
Pleasant Hill	160		2	2
Mauvy Mission	200	16	1	
Anacoco	300	10	5	
Natchitoches	20			
Springville	160	7	1	
Bayou Pierre	10			
	1279	60	12	4
OUACHITA DISTRICT.				
Ouachita	320		4	
Monroe and Trenton	156	41	1	
Columbia	73			
Sparta and Bienville	261			
Louisville	120			
Farmersville	285	96	5	
Vernon	319	50	1	
Mount Lebanon	11[illegible]	50	1	
Minden	25[illegible]	17[illegible]	1	2
Bossier	280		3	
Homer	477	131	5	1
Haynesville	268	101	4	
	2932	644	25	3

LAKE PROVIDENCE DISTRICT.	MEMBERS. White.	MEMBERS. Colored.	LOCAL PREACH'S. White.	LOCAL PREACH'S. Colored.
Lake Providence	39			
Waterproof and St. Joseph	30			
Floyd and Delhi	84			1
Carroll	145	35	4	1
Winnsboro	156		1	
Ion	133	25	2	
Bastrop	115			
Bastrop Circuit and Colored Work	37	38		2
Bayou Bartholomew	62	42		
Jefferson Circuit		62		1
Wright's Chapel, Colored Work		40		2
	801	242	7	7
RECAPITULATION.				
New Orleans District	1285	1	10	
Opelousas ..	953	115	6	1
Alexandria ..	890	74	10	
Shreveport ..	1279	60	12	4
Ouachita ..	2932	644	25	3
Lake Provid'ce ..	801	242	7	7
Total this year	8140	1136	70	15
Total last year	8001	1835	58	14
Increase this year	139		12	1
Decrease this year		699		

BAPTISMS.

Q 17 How many infants and adults have been baptized during the year?

A.

	Infants.	Adults.
New Orleans District	144	15
Opelousas District	117	23
Alexandria District	67	48
Shreveport District	85	73
Ouachita District	55	52
Lake Providence District	116	58
Total number of baptisms	584	269

SUNDAY SCHOOLS.

Q 18. What is the number of Sunday Schools, teachers and scholars?

A.

NEW ORLEANS DISTRICT.	No. of Schools.	Off'rs & Teach's	No. of Scholars.	Vols. in Library.	Collected for Schools	Visitors Taken.	Scholars received into the Church.
Carondelet Street	1	49	352	1168	$500 00	250	8
Felicity Street	1	25	2[illegible]0	1000	100 00	20[illegible]	15
Moreau Street	1	22	192	1800	261 55	172	
Dryades Street (German)	1	15	110	300			
Crans Street (German)	1	12	70	280	60 00		
Lafayette and Carrollton (German)	1	10	80	250			
Jefferson City and Louisiana Avenue	2	18	120	700	46 85	100	2
New Orleans Circuit	3	19	150	400	50 00		
Thibodaux Mission						6	
Baton Rouge	1	12	70	250			
Plaquemine and Grosse Tete	1	5	36				
	13	187	1374	6148	1018 40	728	25
OPELOUSAS DISTRICT.							
Opelousas	1	9	42	250	65 00	50	6
Washington and Bayou Boeuff	2	10	53	300	10 00		
Plaquemine Brule	3	2[illegible]	15[illegible]	2[illegible]0	10 00	6	10
Bayou Mallet	1	5	35	150			
New Iberia	1	11	70	2[illegible]0	15 00	3[illegible]	18
Franklin	1	8	4[illegible]	400	50 00		
Pattersonville and Berwick	1		3[illegible]		2[illegible] 00		
	10	63	420	1500	170 00	86	34
ALEXANDRIA DISTRICT.							
Alexandria Circuit	2	8	50	50		16	4
Atlanta	1	6	40	150		25	
	3	14	90	20[illegible]		41	4
SHREVEPORT DISTRICT.							
Shreveport	1	14	100	750	35 00	100	
Greenwood	1	5	50	1[illegible]0			
Keachie	1	8	30	1[illegible]0		12	5
Mansfield	1	16	100	350	25 00	100	
Pleasant Hill	1	8	52	150		25	
	5	51	332	145[illegible]	60 0[illegible]	237	5
OUACHITA DISTRICT.							
Ouachita	1	4	40	160	6 80	1	
Monroe and Trenton	2	17	59	215	93 00		3
Vernon	1	5	20				
Mount Lebanon	1	5	30				
Minden	1	13	60	350			
Bossier	1	4	40				
Homer	2	15	1[illegible]5	300			
Haynesville	4	25	150	30[illegible]	25 00		
	13	88	524	1325	124 8[illegible]	1	3

LAKE PROVIDENCE DISTRICT.	No. of Schools.	Off'rs & Teach'rs.	No. of Scholars.	Vols. in Library.	Collected for Schools.	Visitors Taken.	Scholars received into the Church.
Floyd and Delhi	1	8	40	100		25	
Winnsboro	1	8	40				
Ion	1	8	50				5
Bastrop	1	8	50	300			8
Bastrop Circuit and Colored Work	1	6	25				
Wright's Chapel	1	6	37				
	6	44	242	400		25	13
RECAPITULATION.							
New Orleans District	13	187	1374	6148	$1018 40	728	25
Opelousas	10	63	420	150	170 00	86	34
Alexandria	3	14	90	200		41	4
Shreveport	5	51	332	1450	60 00	237	5
Ouachita	13	88	524	1325	124 80	1	3
Lake Providence	6	44	242	400		25	13
Total	50	447	2982	11023	1373 20	1118	84

MINISTERIAL SUPPORT.

Q. 19. What amounts are necessary for the Superannuated Preachers, and the Widows and Orphans of Preachers?

A. $2,150.

Q. 20. What has been collected on the foregoing accounts, and how has it been applied?

A. Collected..... $1290 00

APPLIED—TO SUPERANNUATES:

Thomas Samford	$180 00	
Henry C. Thweatt	90 00	
Joel Saunders	210 00	
Charles J. Hallberg	225 00—	705 00

WIDOWS AND ORPHANS :

Widow of Jones H. Waters	$90 00	
Widow of Fielding Bell	90 00	
Widow of R Randle	90 00	
Widow of David Kinnear	90 00	
Widow and Orphans of R R. Alexander	120 00	
Orphan of W H. Turnley	15 00	
Orphan of Samuel Haws	15 00	
Orphans of T. B Baldwin	30 00	
Orphans of W. J. McFarland	45 00—	$585 00
		1290 00
BISHOPS' CLAIM		1200 00
Collected		728 00
Deficiency		472 00

RESOLUTIONS.

Resolved, That each preacher shall endeavor to interest the members of the Church in the support of our Bishops, by calling upon each congregation for a contribution to this object.

Resolved, That the Bishops' claim for the ensuing year be $1,200, apportioned to the several Districts as follows, with instruction that the Presiding Elders divide the amount for their respective Districts among the several Circuits and Stations :

APPORTIONMENT.

New Orleans District	$450 00	
Opelousas District	150 00	
Alexandria District	50 00	
Shreveport District	150 00	
Ouachita District	250 00	
Lake Providence District	150 00	
		$1200 00

Resolved, That in order to meet the claims of the Superannuates and Widows and Orphans, the preachers pay *four per cent.* on their total receipts.

Resolved, That the Chairman of the Committee on Ministerial Support be instructed to distribute the funds among the Conference claimants, on the basis of the former quarterage claims.

Allowance, Receipts, Widows' and Orphans' Per Cent., and Bishops' Collection.

PREACHERS.	WORK.	Total allowance.	Total receipts	Per cent. paid.	Bishops' collection.
John C. Keener, P. E.	New Orleans District	$2500 00	$1795 00	$71 80	
Joseph B. Walker	Carondelet Street	3000 00	3000 00	201 45	$175 00
Linus Parker	Felicity Street	2000 00	2030 00	191 80	137 40
Robert J. Harp	Moreau Street		373 50	50 00	36 25
John B. A. Ahrens	Dryades Street (German)	1300 00	1000 00	40 00	18 85
John Pauly	Craps Street (German)		378 00	15 00	6 00
Matthias Maas, Supply	Lafayette and Carrollton (German)				4 50
Charles F. Evans	Jefferson City and Louisiana Avenue	600 00	600 00	30 50	16 00
To be supplied	New Orleans Circuit			11 45	11 45
Philo M. Goodwyn	Thibodaux Mission		147 50	10 00	2 00
Charles W. Carter	Baton Rouge	1500 00	808 00	32 32	27 15
To be supplied	Plaquemine and Grosse Tete.				
Almarin G. Miller	Centenary College.				
		10900 00	10102 00	654 32	434 60
Alexander E. Goodwyn, P. E.	Opelousas District.				
John Wilkinson	Opelousas	1000 00	1000 00	40 00	7 00
Fisher T. Rawson	Bellevue Mission		22 50	75	
Benjamin F. White	Washington and Bayou Boeuff		182 00	7 30	4 50
James E. Bradley	Bayou Mallet		150 ..		
Joseph D. Adams	Plaquemine Brule	500 ..	400 ..	5 00	10 00
To be supplied	Vermillion.				
Alexander E. Goodwyn	New Iberia	1000 .	1000 ..	40 ..	35 ..
Baxter Clegg	Franklin		136 80	15 ..	20 ..

J. Knight, Supply	Pattersonville and Berwick City		40 00		
Seaborn J. Graves	Grand Cheniere.				
To be supplied	Calcasieu.				
		2500 ..	2931 39	108 05	76 50
Frederick White, P. E.	ALEXANDRIA DISTRICT	250 ..	25 00	5 00	10 00
Henry O. White	Alexandria Circuit	375 ..	196 48		10 ..
Edwin W. Yancey	Harrisonburg	600 ..	200 00	10 ..	
John S Davis, Supernumerary	Evergreen and Big Cane	400 ..	85 ..	3 ..	2 ..
John F. Wynn	Atlanta	500 ..	140 ..	7 ..	3 ..
Robert A. Davis	Spring Creek		1 ..	75	25
		2125 ..	647 48	25 75	25 25
Benjamin F. Alexander, P. E.	SHREVEPORT DISTRICT	900 ..	650 00	26 00	
Reynolds S. Trippett	Shreveport	1500 ..	1500 ..	50 ..	70 ..
Samuel B Suratt	Greenwood	1000 ..	500 ..	5 ..	
James L. Chapman, Supernum'y.	Do.				
William H. Moss	Keachie	700 ..	700 ..	40 ..	40 ..
John Pipes	Mansfield	1010 ..	900 .	36 ..	15 ..
James S. Lane	Pleasant Hill	650 ..	275 ..		20 ..
To be supplied	Manny Mission	400 ..	100 ..		
James M Franklin, Supply	Anacoco	400 ..	180 ..		7 50
To be supplied	Natchitoches.				
Jesse Fulton	Springville	600 ..	252 25	10 ..	14 00
John C. Reed, Supernumerary.					
To be supplied	Bayou Pierre.				
William E. Doty	Greenwood Colored Work.				
		7190 ..	5057 25	167 ..	166 50
Samuel Armstrong, P. E.	OUACHITA DISTRICT.				
Robert T. Parish	Ouachita Circuit	500 ..	400 00	39 ..	5 00

ALLOWANCE, RECEIPTS, WIDOWS' AND ORPHANS' PER CENT., AND BISHOPS' COLLECTION—CONTINUED.

PREACHERS.	WORK.	Total allowance.	Total receipts.	Per cent. paid.	Bishops' collection.
Horace Jewell	Monroe and Trenton	$925 00	$707 00	$25 00	$20 00
Mark B. Chapman	Do. do.				
James A. Ivy	Columbia.				
Whitmel P. Kimball	Sparta and Bienville.				
Richard M. Crowson	Louisville.				
Joseph H. Stone	Farmersville.				
Thomas J. Upton	Vernon	400 ..	296 46	20 ..	4 ..
John A. Miller	Mount Lebanon	800 ..	354 96	12 ..	5 80
Thomas B. White	Minden	1000 ..	752 00	68 05	20 00
Samuel S. Scott, Supernumerary	Do.				
Nathaniel M. Talbot	Bossier			15 00	
Nehemiah A. Cravens	Homer	1200 ..	1100 ..	44 ..	20 ..
William C. Haislip	Haynesville	1000 ..	1000 ..	40 ..	20 ..
		4400 ..	4610 42	263 05	94 80
William G. McGaughey, P. E.	LAKE PROVIDENCE DISTRICT	850 ..	200 00	8 00	
Thomas J. Lacey	Waterproof and St. Joseph.				
To be supplied	Lake Providence.				
Philip H. Diffenweirth	Floyd and Delhi	850 ..	223 ..	8 50	1 50
Alanson W Moore	Carroll.				
Thomas H. McClendon	Winnsboro	600 ..	206 40	8 25	6 50
William D. Stayton	Ion	700 ..	232 00	9 00	4 00
Joel T. Daves	Bastrop	1000 ..	550 ..	20 ..	20 ..
James L. Wright	Bastrop Circuit and Colored Work	550 ..	169 ..	10 20	9 ..
Do. do.	Wright's Chapel, Colored		30 ..		

Thomas B. Reneau, Supply	Bayou Bartholomew.				
To be supplied.....	Jefferson Circuit.				
		4550 ..	1610 40	63 95	41 ..

RECAPITULATION.

New Orleans District.....	.....	10900 ..	10102 ..	654 32	434 60
Opelousas	.....	2500 ..	2931 30	108 05	76 50
Alexandria	.....	2125 ..	647 48	25 75	25 25
Shreveport	.....	7190 ..	5057 25	167 00	166 50
Ouachita	.....	4400 ..	4610 42	263 05	94 80
Lake Provid'e	.....	4550 ..	1610 40	63 95	41 00
Total	.....	31665 ..	24958 85	1282 12	838 65

MISSIONS.

Q. 21. What has been contributed for the Missionary and Tract Societies?

A. For the Tract Society—Nothing. For Missions, as reported in the table of statistics of the Secretary:

NEW ORLEANS DISTRICT.	Foreign.	Domestic.
Carondelet Street	$111 75	$106 00
Felicity Street	110 00	122 22
Moreau Street	52 75	52 75
Dryades Street, German	7 50	86 25
Craps Street, German	29 00	
Lafayette and Carrollton, German	12 ..	75
Jefferson City and Louisiana Avenue	29 10	20 00
New Orleans Circuit	11 45	11 45
Baton Rouge	2 25	
	365 80	573 67
OPELOUSAS DISTRICT.		
Opelousas	11 85	20 00
Washington and Bayou Boeuff	4 25	4 25
Franklin	1 00	
New Iberia, Anniversary Collection	154 ..	155 90
	171 10	179 15
ALEXANDRIA DISTRICT	5 00	5 00
SHREVEPORT DISTRICT.		
Shreveport	27 50	
Greenwood		5 00
Keachie	20 00	
Pleasant Hill		16 ..
Springville		2 25
	47 50	23 75
OUACHITA DISTRICT.		
Vernon	10 00	10 00
Mount Lebanon	2 ..	
Minden	13 75	10 ..
Homer	10 00	10 ..
	35 75	30 ..

LAKE PROVIDENCE DISTRICT.	Foreign.	Domestic.
Ion		$3 50
Bastrop	$5 00	5 00
	5 00	8 50
RECAPITULATION.		
New Orleans District	365 80	563 67
Opelousas District	171 10	179 15
Alexandria District	5 00	5 00
Shreveport District	47 50	23 25
Ouachita District	35 75	30 00
Lake Providence District	5 00	8 50
Total	630 15	809 57

CONTRIBUTED BY SUNDAY SCHOOLS.

FOR MISSIONS.

NOTE.—In some instances these items were probably reported in the above table by mistake. Collections in the congregation and in the Sunday School should be reported separately.

Felicity Street	$92 00
Moreau Street	84 15
Dryades Street, German	74 65
Craps Street, German	11 20
Lafayette and Carrollton	12 00
Jefferson City and Louisiana Avenue	20 70
New Orleans Circuit	100 00
Homer—Ouachita District	20 00
Total	414 70

TREASURER'S REPORT.

DOMESTIC MISSIONS.

A. E. GOODWYN, TREASURER,

IN ACCOUNT WITH THE BOARD OF DOMESTIC MISSIONS OF THE LOUISIANA CONFERENCE.

1868.	NEW ORLEANS DISTRICT.		Dr.
Carondelet Street		$106 35	
Felicity Street		122 22	
Moreau Street		108 75	
Soraparu		1 75	
Dryades Street, German		86 00	
			$425 07
	OPELOUSAS DISTRICT.		
New Iberia, Anniversary Collection			155 90
	SHREVEPORT DISTRICT.		
Mansfield			5 00
	OUACHITA DISTRICT.		
Minden		10 00	
Vernon		10 00	
North Bossier		5 00	
			25 00
	LAKE PROVIDENCE DISTRICT.		
Bastrop		5 00	
Ion		3 50	
			8 50
	FROM OTHER SOURCES.		
Mrs. Eliza L. Hallberg		5 00	
Miss Ida M. Hallberg (gold)		1 00	
Master Charles A. Hallberg (gold)		1 00	
Master Robert Lee Hallberg (gold)		1 00	
Premium on gold		1 05	
			9 05
	RECAPITULATION.		
New Orleans District		425 07	
Opelousas District		155 90	
Shreveport District		5 00	
Ouachita District		25 00	
Lake Providence District		8 50	
From other sources		9 05	
To cash on hand at last report		95 90	
			724 42

CREDIT.

By amount paid draft of Bellevue Mission	112 56	
By amount paid Presiding Elder Lake Provid nce District	50 00	
By amount paid Lafourche Mission	50 00	
By amount paid J. Pauly, German Mission	55 75	
By amount paid Presiding Elder Shreveport District	50 00	
By amount paid Bayou Mallet Mission	37 50	
By amount paid Spring Creek Mission	37 50	
By amount paid printing Conference Minutes, 1867	68 97	
One-tenth of total receipts paid Parent Society	74 45	
Cash in hand	152 25	
		724 42

FOREIGN MISSION REPORT.

J. B. WALKER, CHAIRMAN.

New Orleans District	557 95	
Opelousas District	21 00	
Shreveport District	51 50	
Ouachita District	40 75	
Lake Providence District	5 00	
Alexandria District	5 00	
From various sources sent to Dr. Keener	89 70	
Anniversary at New Iberia	154 00	
		924 90

CREDIT.

By cash paid W. T. Smithson, Treasurer of Foreign Missionary Society.	924 90

CONSTITUTION OF THE BOARD OF DOMESTIC MISSIONS OF THE LOUISIANA ANNUAL CONFERENCE.

ART. 1. This Board shall be denominated and known as the Board of Domestic Missions of the Louisiana Annual Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church South.

ART. 2. The object of this Board is to co-operate with the Parent Board of the Methodist Episcopal Church South, in support of Missions, especially within the territory occupied by this Conference.

ART. 3. The officers of this Board shall consist of a President, Vice President, Secretary and Treasurer, and five Managers, who shall be chosen quadrennially by the Louisiana Conference.

ART. 4. The President, and in his absence the Vice President, shall preside at all meetings of the Board; in the absence of both, the Board shall select a President, three of whom shall constitute a quorum.

ART. 5. The Treasurer shall take charge of all the funds and property of the Board, subject to the order of the Board, and shall make an accurate and full report annually of all the receipts and disbursements of the Board, to the Louisiana Annual Conference.

ART. 6. The Secretary shall keep a full and complete record of the proceedings of the Board.

ART. 7. That during the year, each preacher in charge shall, as far as practicable, ascertain how much each member will give for the support of the Domestic Mission, and collect the same in such manner as he shall think best.

ART. 8. One-tenth of all the collections made for Domestic Missions shall be transmitted to the Treasurer of the Parent Board, and any surplus remaining after supplying our own work.

ART. 9. This Constitution may be amended at the annual meeting, by a vote of two-thirds of the Board.

The following members were elected :

OFFICERS OF THE BOARD.

PRESIDENT.....P. M. GOODWYN.
VICE PRESIDENT.....N. A. CRAVENS.
SECRETARY.....R. S. TRIPPETT.
TREASURER.....A. E. GOODWYN.

MANAGERS.

ROBERT J. HARP.	JAMES L. WRIGHT.	JOHN PIPES.
J. D. ADAMS.	W. G. McGAUGHEY;	

APPROPRIATIONS FOR DOMESTIC MISSIONS FOR 1869.

OPELOUSAS DISTRICT.

Washington	$75 00	
Bayou Mallet	75 00	—$150 00

LAKE PROVIDENCE DISTRICT.

Waterproof	75 00

ALEXANDRIA DISTRICT.

Spring Creek	75 00
Publishing Minutes	75 00
	375 00

FOREIGN MISSIONS.

Resolved, That we do hereby constitute a Committee on Foreign Missions, which shall take in charge all business of the Conference appertaining to the Foreign Missionary Society of the Methodist Episcopal Church South.

Resolved, That the Chairman of this Committee shall be elected by the Conference, who shall preside at all annual and other meetings of this Committee, take charge of all funds collected for Foreign Missions, and dispose of them as directed by the Committee, and report annually its doings to the Conference, and shall continue in office during the pleasure of the Conference.

Resolved, That each member of this Conference shall take up annually a public collection, and shall preach in behalf of Foreign Missions, and shall report the amount collected to the Committee at its annual meeting.

Dr. Joseph B. Walker was elected Chairman of the Committee on Foreign Missions.

Resolved, That each preacher is expected to organize Missionary Societies in the Sunday Schools of his work, for the support of the China Mission ; and that we heartily adopt the plan, and pledge ourselves to co-operate with the Mississippi Conference in the support of Brother Lambuth, now in China.

MISCELLANEOUS COLLECTIONS.

NEW ORLEANS DISTRICT.	Church Building and Repairs.	For Parsonages	Paid for House Rent.	For the Poor.	Home and Local Missions.
Carondelet Street	$688 00		$1200 00	$572 00	
Felicity Street			500 00	260 00	$206 00
Moreau Street	707 85			60 15	37 50
Dryades Street (German)	100 00			144 00	
Crans Street (German)	178 00	$6 30		30 00	
Jefferson City and Louisiana Avenue				30 00	
New Orleans Circuit	1200 00				
Baton Rouge			250 00		
	2873 85	6 30	1950 00	1036 15	237 50
OPELOUSAS DISTRICT.					
Opelousas	240 00	100 0			
Plaquemine Brule			150 00		
New Iberia	325 00	25 00			
Franklin	128 00		150 00		
Pattersonville and Berwick		17 00			
	693 00	142 00	300 00		
SHREVEPORT DISTRICT.					
Shreveport	11 75			45 00	
Anacoco	200 00			40 00	
	211 75			85 00	
OUACHITA DISTRICT.					
Minden	1800 00		100 00		
Homer	500 00		150 00		
Haynesville	50 00				
	2350 00		250 00		
LAKE PROVIDENCE DISTRICT.					
Bastrop			150 00		
RECAPITULATION.					
New Orleans District	2873 85	6 30	1950 00	1036 15	237 50
Opelousas	693 00	142 00	300 00		
Shreveport	211 75			85 00	
Ouachita	2350 00		250 00		
Lake Providence			150 00		
Total	6127 60	148 30	2650 00	1121 00	237 50

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES.

EDUCATION.

CENTENARY COLLEGE.

Resolved, That the Louisiana Conference regard with increased interest the affairs of Centenary College, and urge upon its Trustees the importance of immediately electing a full Faculty, and of putting this venerable institution in complete working order; and also of appointing an active Agent to collect funds sufficient to repair the buildings, and make available the generous contributions already bestowed, and realize the hopes which the past success of the College has inspired.

HOMER COLLEGE.

Resolved, That the following named persons be and are hereby elected a Board of Trustees for Homer College, to wit:

William F. Moreland.	Rev. Samuel Armstrong.
W. B. Gill.	Rev. N. A. Cravens.
J. McHenry.	Rev. John A. Miller.
J. B. Wilder.	Rev. Samuel S. Scott.
J. M. White.	Rev. Thomas B. White.
John Wilson.	Rev. Thomas J. Upton.
Rev. John Davidson.	Rev. William C. Haislip.

Resolved, That the Trustees of Homer College be and are hereby instructed not to create farther debt of any kind which may involve the College, without special authority from this Conference.

Resolved, That we approve the election of the Rev. Henry T. Lewis to the Presidency of Homer College, and that we heartily recommend it to the patronage of our people.

PIERCE AND PAINE COLLEGE.

Resolved, That the Board of Trustees of Pierce and Paine College be instructed to employ a President and Faculty, and that the

said Faculty proceed at once to inaugurate and conduct the exercises of the College, in accordance with the original design of its institution.

Resolved, That the following persons be appointed Trustees of Pierce and Paine College for 1869, to wit :

Rev. Baxter Clegg.	John Jordan.
Rev. John Pipes.	James T. Redding.
Rev. John C. Reed.	George H. Childers.
Rev. Linus Parker.	Baxter S. Porter.
Rev. Philo M. Goodwyn.	C. L. Walmsley.
Rev. Joseph B Walker.	Henry J. Davis.
Rev. Thomas B White.	Dr. E. C. Wilson.
Rev. B. F. Alexander.	J. C. Porter.
Rev. John C Keener.	A G. Jordan.
Rev. William H. Moss.	William D. Gooch.
Rev. Jesse Fulton.	Dr. John L. Wagley.
Rev. R. S. Trippett.	A. M. Chapman.

MANSFIELD FEMALE COLLEGE.

Resolved, That the Louisiana Conference, from the facts connected with the purchase and transfer of the Mansfield Female College, in the year 1864, regard its title to said institution to be indisputable, and therefore not likely to be affected by any decision which may be rendered in the suit of Lary *versus* Milliken, now pending in the District Court for the Parish of De Soto, Louisiana, and to which attention has been directed by the Board of Managers ; and the Conference, not holding itself responsible to any party for any loss which may result from said suit, does not deem any further action on its part necessary.

Resolved, That the Secretary of the Conference transmit a copy of the above resolution to the President of the Board of Managers.

BOARD OF MANAGERS.

Bishop Kavanaugh appointed the following persons as a Board of Managers for Mansfield Female College, to wit :

B. F. Alexander.	John Pipes.
William E. Doty.	Henry G. Hall.
John L Scales.	

SUNDAY SCHOOLS.

Resolved, That we organize in every school a Missionary Society, one of the requirements of which shall be that every member contribute at least five cents per week.

Resolved, That in view of the fact that the Sunday School is the best church extension society, we recommend the organization of Mission Sunday Schools wherever practicable.

Resolved, That we earnestly enjoin upon our preachers the establishment of our own schools, the use of our own books and literature, that the children be thoroughly instructed in the Catechism, and that the pastors be required to examine and catechise the schools under their care once a month, if possible.

LAY REPRESENTATION.

PLAN FOR THE ELECTION OF LAY REPRESENTATIVES.

First. Each Quarterly Conference of each District shall nominate by ballot one Lay Representative.

Second. At some time during the year the Presiding Elder shall call a meeting of all the members of the Quarterly Conferences in his District, which meeting shall elect by ballot *four* of the said nominees, to be representatives of the said District to the ensuing session of the Louisiana Annual Conference.

CHAIRMEN OF STANDING COMMITTEES.

President of Board of Domestic Missions.....P. M. Goodwyn.
Chairman Committee on Foreign Missions....Joseph B. Walker.
Chairman Committee on Sunday Schools.....John B. A. Ahrens.
Chairman Committee on Church Publications..John Wilkinson.
Chairman Committee on Education.....B. F. Alexander.
Chairman Committee on Bible Cause.....R. S. Trippett.
Chairman Committee on Ministerial Support...Charles W. Carter.

COMMITTEES OF EXAMINATION AND COURSE OF STUDY.

ENGLISH LITERATURE.

Committee..... A. E. Goodwyn and Joseph D. Adams.

Studies—*Class of First Year*—English Grammar ; Hymn Book ; Composition.

STUDIES—*Class of Second Year*—Hymn Book; Quackenboss' Advanced Course of Composition; and Rhetoric and Composition.

STUDIES—*Class of Third Year*—Hymn Book; Whateley's Rhetoric, Essay or Sermon; Reference to Vinet's Pastoral Theology.

STUDIES—*Class of Fourth Year*—Hymn Book; Whateley's Logic; Sermon.

BIBLICAL LITERATURE.

Committee.....R. S. TRIPPETT and C. W. CARTER.

STUDIES—*Class of First Year*—Bible, historical and biographical parts, with reference to Watson's Biblical and Theological Dictionary, enlarged, with New Biblical Atlas and Preacher's Text Book.

STUDIES—*Class of Second Year*—Bible, as to the Institutions of Christianity, with reference to Watson's Dictionary.

STUDIES—*Class of Third Year*—Bible, as to doctrines, with reference to Watson's Dictionary.

STUDIES—*Class of Fourth Year*—Bible generally, with reference to Watson's Dictionary.

DOCTRINAL AND CONTROVERSIAL THEOLOGY.

Committee.....JOEL T. DAVES and SAMUEL ARMSTRONG.

STUDIES—*Class of First Year*—Vol I of Wesley's Sermons; Watson's Institutes, Part III; Theological Compend.

STUDIES—*Class of Second Year*—Vol. II of Wesley's Sermons; Smith's Elements of Divinity; Watson's Institutes, Part IV.

STUDIES—*Class of Third Year*—Wesley's Sermons, Vol. III; Watson's Institutes, Part II.

STUDIES—*Class of Fourth Year*—Wesley's Sermons, Vol. IV; Rivers' Elements of Moral Philosophy; Watson's Institutes, Part First.

ECCLESIASTICAL HISTORY AND CHURCH GOVERNMENT.

Committee.....N. A. CRAVENS and PHILO M. GOODWYN.

STUDIES—*Class of First Year*—Discipline; Clarke's Preacher's Manual.

STUDIES—*Class of Second Year*—Discipline, with reference to Henkle's Analysis; Watson's Life of Wesley, and observations on Southey.

STUDIES—*Class of Third Year*—Discipline.

STUDIES—*Class of Fourth Year*—Discipline; Powell on Succession; Ruter's Church History.

Committee for Examination of Candidates for Admission on Trial: JOHN C. KEENER and BENJAMIN F. ALEXANDER.

"All candidates for admission on trial into the Traveling Connection shall, in addition to their examination before the Quarterly Conference, as required by the present form of Discipline, be examined by a committee of the Annual Conference on the ordinary branches of an English education, of their acquaintance with which they shall give satisfactory evidence previous to admission." *Action of the General Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church South, in session of* 1858.

TIME OF EXAMINATION.

Resolved, That the classes to be examined be required to appear before the Committee of Examination at the seat of Conference, at nine o'clock A. M., on the Monday preceding the opening of the Conference; and in case they fail to do so, without satisfactory excuse for non-attendance at the required time and place, they shall be continued in the same class another year.

UNDER GRADUATES.

CLASS OF FIRST YEAR.....James M. Franklin.
James M. McKee.
Robert Randle.
CLASS OF THIRD YEAR.....Atanson W. Moore.

CONFERENCE SERMON.

William C. Haislip was elected to preach the Conference sermon at the next session.

TIME OF CONFERENCE.

Resolved, That we respectfully request the Bishops to fix the time of meeting from the first to the fifteenth of January, if practicable.

VISITING COMMITTEES.

CENTENARY COLLEGE	Charles W. Carter.
	W. G. McGaughey.
	A E. Goodwyn.
MANSFIELD FEMALE COLLEGE	R. S Trippett.
	W. H. Moss.
	James M. McKee.
HOMER COLLEGE	Joel T. Daves.
	Charles F Evans.
	Samuel Armstrong.
PIERCE AND PAINE COLLEGE	Charles B. Stuart.
	John Pipes.
	Jesse Fulton.

SEAT OF THE NEXT CONFERENCE.

Q. 22. Where and when shall the next session of the Conference be held?

A. At Shreveport, Louisiana.

APPOINTMENTS.

Q. 23. Where are the preachers stationed this year?

A.

NEW ORLEANS DISTRICT	*John C. Keener, P. E.*
Carondelet Street	*Joseph B. Walker.*
Felicity Street	*Linus Parker.*
Moreau Street	*Thomas B. White.*
Dryades Street (German)	*John B. A. Ahrens.*
Craps Street (German)	*John A Pauly.*
Lafayette and Carrollton (German)	John Barth, Supply.
Jefferson City and Louisiana Avenue	*Philo M. Goodwyn.*
New Orleans Circuit	To be supplied.
Thibodaux	*James L Chapman.*
Baton Rouge	*Charles W Carter.*
Plaquemine and Grosse Tete	To be supplied.
Colored Charges	To be supplied.
Publishing House, New Orleans	*Robert J. Harp*, Agent.

OPELOUSAS DISTRICT ..... *Joseph D. Adams, P. E.*

Opelousas ..... *John Wilkinson.*
Bayou Mallet Mission ..... *Fisher T. Rawson.*
Plaquemine Brule ..... *Joseph D Adams.*
Washington Mission ..... *James E. Bradley.*
Vermillion ..... *Benjamin F. White.*
Abbeville ..... To be supplied.
New Iberia ..... *Alexander E. Goodwyn.*
New Iberia Colored Work ..... To be supplied.
Franklin ..... *William C. Haislip.*
Grand Cheniere ..... *Seaborn J. Graves.*
Calcasieu ..... J. M. Monroe, Supply.
Franklin Academy ..... *Baxter Clegg.*

ALEXANDRIA DISTRICT ..... *Frederick White P. E.*

Alexandria ..... *James A. Ivy.*
Alexandria Colored Work ..... To be supplied.
Rapides ..... T. S. Collier, Supply.
Harrisonburg ..... *J. F. Marshall.*
Evergreen and Big Cane ..... *John S. Davis.*
Atlanta ..... *John F. Wynn.*
Spring Creek Mission ..... To be supplied.
Centerville ..... *Edwin W. Yancey.*
Columbia ..... John H. Boult, Supply.
Louisville ..... To be supplied.
Anacoco ..... R. H. Adair, Supply.

SHREVEPORT DISTRICT ..... *Benjamin F Alexander, P. E.*

Shreveport ..... *Reynolds S Trippett.*
Mooringsport ..... Z. W. Barnes, Supply.
Greenwood ..... James M. M'Kee.
Greenwood ..... *William E. Doty*, Supernumer'y.
Greenwood Colored Charge ..... To be supplied.
Keachie ..... *William H. Moss.*
Mansfield ..... *John Pipes.*
Pleasant Hill and Manny ..... James M. Franklin.
Pleasant Hill and Manny ..... Baxter S. Porter, Supply.
Natchitoches ..... To be supplied.
Springville ..... *Jesse Fulton.*
Bayou Pierre ..... To be supplied.
Pleasant Hill Colored Charge ..... To be supplied.
Bible Agent, North Louisiana ..... *Benjamin F. Alexander.*

OUACHITA DISTRICT.....*Samuel Armstrong, P. E.*

Ouachita	Robert Randle.
Monroe and Trenton	*Charles F. Evans.*
Sparta	*Richard M. Crowson.*
Farmersville	*Robert T. Parish.*
Vernon	*John C. Reed.*
Mount Lebanon	*Whitmel P. Kimball.*
Minden	*Thomas J. Upton.*
Bossier	*Henry O. White*
B[illegible]	*Samuel S Scott*, Supernum'y.
Homer	*Nehemiah A. Cravens.*
Haynesville	*John A Miller.*
Ouachita Colored Charges	To be supplied.

LAKE PROVIDENCE DISTRICT.....*William G. McGaughey, P. E.*

Lake Providence	To be supplied.
Waterproof	*William D Stayton*
Floyd and Delhi	*Philip H. Dieffenwerth.*
Carroll	Alanson W. Moore.
Winnsboro	*Thomas H. McClendon.*
Richland	To be supplied.
Bastrop and Oak Ridge	*Joel T. Daves.*
Lind Grove	*James L. Wright.*
Sicily Island	*Joseph H. Stone.*
Colored Charges	To be supplied.

TRANSFERRED.—Robert A. Davis, to Mississippi Conference; *Samuel B. Suratt*, to Memphis Conference; Mark B. Chapman, to Missouri Conference; *James S. Lane*, to Northwest Texas Conference; *Horace Jewell*, to Little Rock Conference; *Nathaniel M. Talbot*, to St. Louis Conference.

SUPERANNUATED.—*Thomas Samford, Henry C. Thweatt, Joel Saunders, Charles J. Hillberg.*

LOCATED.—*Thomas J. Lacey*, at his own request.